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THE NEW “DEMOCRATIC DOCTRINE”

JOHN C. FREMONT is the Representative of FREE LABOR, FREE SPEECH, and FREE MEN! JAMES BUCHANAN and MILLARD FILLMORE are the Representatives of SLAVE LABOR, and its WOMAN WHIPPING Tyrannies! There is NO HALF WAY HOUSE on the highway of Freedom! Shall we extend this accursed tyranny over Territory once constitutionally pledged to Freedom? But one candidate has answered this question in the negative, and that one is JOHN C. FREMONT. Freemen of Free States! for which of these men will you vote in November, 1856?

SLAVERY not to be confined to the Negro Race, but to be made the universal condition of the Laboring classes of society.

The *last*, the *crowning*, the *diabolical* assumption is, that Slavery is not to be confined to the NEGRO RACE, but must be made to include *laboring* WHITE MEN also. This doctrine, which is so monstrous and shocking as almost to seem incredible, is now openly avowed and defended by many of the newspapers and of the public men of the South that support James Buchanan. The doctrine is also proclaimed by some Northern newspapers of the so-called Democratic party, but not with such boldness as in the South. To show the extent and nature of this doctrine of *enslaving* WHITE MEN, the following extracts from Buchanan papers and from the speeches of Buchanan men, are given. The Richmond Examiner, one of the leading Democratic papers in Virginia, ardently supporting Mr. Buchanan, holds the following language in a late issue:

“Until recently, the defence of Slavery has labored under great difficulties, because its apologists, (for they were mere apologists,) took half-way grounds. They confined the defence of Slavery to mere *negro* slavery; thereby giving up the slavery *principle*, admitting *other* forms of Slavery to be *wrong*.

“The line of defence; however, is now changed. The South now maintains that *Slavery is Right, natural and necessary, and does not depend upon COMPLEXION*. The laws of the Slave States *justify* the HOLDING OF WHITE MEN IN BONDAGE.”

Another Buchanan paper, the leading one in South Carolina, says:

"Slavery is the natural and normal condition of the *Laboring Man*, whether WHITE or black. The great evil of Northern FREE society is, that it is burdened with a *servile* class—MECHANICS and LABORERS, *unfit for self government*, and yet clothed with the attributes and power of citizens. Master and slave is a relation in society as necessary as that of parent and child; and the Northern States will yet have to introduce it. Their theory of Free Government is a delusion."

There's "Democratic" doctrine for you, with a vengeance; "our theory of free government a delusion,"—"laboring men, whether WHITE, or black, to be slaves"—Verily, matters are coming to a pretty pass with us.

The Richmond, (Va.) Enquirer, Mr. Buchanan's confidential organ, and considered by the "Democratic" party as its ablest paper in the South, speaks as follows in a re-ent number:

"Repeatedly have we asked the North, "Has not the experiment of universal Liberty, FAILED? Are not the evils of FREE SOCIETY INSUFFERABLE? And do not most thinking men among you propose to *subvert* and reconstruct it!" Still no answer. This gloomy silence is another conclusive proof, added to many other conclusive evidences we have furnished, that *free society* in the *long run*, is an impracticable form of society, it is everywhere starving, *demoralized*, and *insurrectionary*.

"We repeat, then, that policy and humanity alike *forbid the extension* of the *evils of free society* to new people and coming generations.

"Two opposite and conflicting forms of society cannot among civilized men, co-exist and endure. The one must give way and cease to exist. The other becomes universal.

" *If free society* be unnatural, immoral, unchristian, it must fall, and give way to a *slave society—a social system as the world, universal as man.* "

And the Muscogee, (Ala.) Herald, another valiant Buchanan organ says:

Free society! we sicken of the name. What is it but a conglomeration of GREASY MECHANICS, FILTHY OPERATIVES, SMALL FISTED FARMERS, and moon-struck THEORISTS? All the Northern and especially the New England States are devoid of society fitted for well bred gentlemen. The prevailing class one meets with, is that of mechanics struggling to be genteel, and small farmers who do their own drudgery; and yet who are hardly fit for associating with a Southern gentleman's body-servant. This is your free society which the Northern hordes are endeavoring to extend into Kansas."

And the South Side Democrat, another prominent Buchanan paper, in Virginia, whose editor was supported for Clerk of the House of Representatives by the Democratic members of the present Congress abuses everything FREE after this style:

"We have got to hating everything with the prefix FREE, from the free negroes down and up, through the whole catalogue— *Free* farms, *Free* labor, *Free* society, *Free* will, *Free* thinking, *Free* children, and *Free* schools—all belonging to the same brood of damnable *isms*. But the worst of all these abominations is the modern system of FREE SCHOOLS. The New England system of free schools has been the cause and prolific source of the infidelities and treason that have turned her cities into Sodoms and Gomorrah's, and her land into the common nesting-places of howling Bedlamites. *We abominate the system, because the SCHOOLS ARE FREE.*"

The Charleston (S. C.) Standard, another Democratic paper, in defending the murderer, Herbert, (the Democratic Congressman,) who shot the poor Irish waiter, says:

"If WHITE MEN accept the offices of menials, it should be expected that they will do so with an apprehension of their relation to society, and the disposition quietly to encounter both the responsibilities and liabilities which the relation imposes."

The Alabama Mail, in commenting on the same says:

"It is getting time that Waiters at the North were convinced that they are servants, and not "gentlemen" in disguise. We hope this Herbert affair, will teach them prudence."

So much for extracts from "Democratic" newspapers. Now for a few from Democratic speeches.

S. U. Downs, *late* Democratic Senator from Louisiana, in an elaborate and carefully prepared speech, published in the Washington Globe, says:

"I call upon the opponents of Slavery to prove that the **White Laborers** of the North are as happy, as contented, or as comfortable as the **Slaves** of the South. In the South the slaves do not suffer one-tenth of the evils endured by the white laborers of the North. Poverty is unknown to the Southern slave, for as soon as the master of slaves becomes too poor to provide for them, he *SELLS* them to others who can take care of them. This, sir, is one of the excellencies of the system of slavery, and this the superior condition of the Southern slave over the Northern *WHITE* laborer."

According to Mr. Downs, then, (good democratic authority,) all that the Northern *white laborer* requires is somebody to SELL him when he falls into poverty. Admirable philanthropy! Beautiful Democracy!!

Senator Clemens, of Alabama, declared in a speech in the U. S. Senate, that “the of New England were not as well situated, nor as comfortably off as the slaves that cultivate the rice and cotton fields of the South.”

In a recent speech by Mr. Reynolds, Pierce-Buchanan-Democratic candidate for Congress from Missouri, that gentleman distinctly asserted that—

“The same construction of the power of Congress to exclude Slavery from a United States Territory, would justify the Government in excluding foreign-born citizens, **Germans and Irish as well as Niggers.**”

Here a Missouri Democrat classes Germans and Irish indiscriminately with Negro Slaves.

Mr. L. H. Goode, another Atchison Democrat of Missouri, in a recent speech against the Free State Men of Kansas, denounced the Laboring men as “WHITE SLAVES.”

These extracts are not taken from obscure prints, or obscure men. They are from the active, influential papers, and influential men who lead the Democratic party.

The Washington Union, the National organ of the “Democratic party,” says that the honest and heroic free Laboring Men of Kansas, “are a MISERABLE BLEAR EYED RABBLE, who have been transferred like so MANY CATTLE to that country.”

Senator Butler, (the uncle of “Assassin” Brooks,) a shining light in the Democratic galaxy, declared in a speech in the U. S. Senate, this session—

“That men have no right to VOTE, unless they are possessed of property as required by the Constitution of South Carolina. There no man can vote unless he owns *ten negroes*, or real estate to the *value of ten thousand dollars.*”

JAMES BUCHANAN, the Presidential candidate of the men and of the party who hold these odious views, advocated the doctrine in the U. S. Senate, of reducing the *WAGES OF AMERICAN OPERATIVES* and *LABORERS* to the European Standard, which is known to be about *TEN CENTS A DAY*. Mr. Buchanan is a fit candidate for those who would make *WHITE MEN, Slaves!*

JOHN C. FREMONT, the true Republican and true Democrat, who has worked his own way from poverty to greatness, pays the following high tribute to the dignity of *FREE LABOR*, and yet his enemies have the meanness to assert that he is a Slaveholder. Col. Fremont *never* owned a dollar in human flesh. Hear what he says about "*free labor*."

" **Free Labor** —The natural capital which constitutes the *real wealth* of this great country, and creates that *intelligent power in the masses*, alone to be relied on as the bulwark of Free Institutions. "

The New York Day Book, one of the two papers in New York City that support James Buchanan, proposes to enslave *Poor AMERICANS, GERMANS, and Irish*, who may fall into poverty, and be unable to support their families. Here are the Day Book's exact words in speaking of the Poor White People:

"Sell the parents of these children into SLAVERY. Let our Legislature pass a law that whoever will take these parents and take care of them and their OFFSPRING, in sickness and in health— *clothe* them, *feed* them, and *house* them— **shall be legally entitled to their services** —and let the same Legislature decree that whoever receives these parents and their **children**, and obtains their services, shall take care of them **as long as they live**. "

Judge Rost, a Southerner, in a speech at Concord, N. H., a few weeks since, says:

We at the South view Slavery as the balance wheel of the government, which enables us by placing the power of labor in the hands of those who control the government, to prevent those underswells among the masses, which often lead to revolution."